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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 840.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- A substitute specification in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52 because:
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

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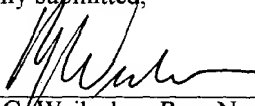
In response to the Notice To File Missing Parts Of NonProvisional Application mailed February 26, 2001 (copy attached) for the above-identified application, attached is:

- 1) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- 2) Executed Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Letter;
- 3) Claim for Priority with certified copy of the priority application; and
- 4) Check in the amount of \$880.00 to cover the filing fee (\$710), surcharge fee for late filing of Declaration (\$130), and Assignment Recordation Fee (\$40).

If any fees other than the attached check are validly required in connection with the filing of this Transmittal, or any overpayment made herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4300.

Respectfully submitted,

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